

5/CEA-1 (ii) (Syllabus-2015)

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(October)

ENGLISH

(Compulsory English)

(Arts)

Paper—II

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

(Prose)

1. Briefly answer the following questions : $5 \times 7 = 35$

(a) Describe some of the difficulties that Elwin and his wife faced when they travelled from Chariduar to Bomdila.

(b) Why does Slim say that having courage is like having money in the bank?

(c) According to Krishnamurti, how does fear affect our intelligence, mind and lives?

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- (d) What damage had the elephant already done before Orwell first saw him?
- (e) What information had the American wireless broadcast about the atom bomb?
- (f) How did the Père David's deer become extinct in China?
- (g) Why are the gnus 'amusing and talented' animals?

(Fiction)

2. Answer any one of the following questions : 20

- (a) Write a character sketch of David Copperfield.
- (b) Describe David's first visit to Yarmouth.
- (c) Discuss the autobiographical element in Charles Dickens' novel, *David Copperfield*.

(Grammar and Composition)

3. Write the following questions as directed : 20

- (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct article (a, an, the) :
Coconut water can be of great help in supplying electrolytes to _____ body and

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therefore rehydrates _____ body in case of dehydration. It is _____ excellent thirst quencher. It contains _____ high amount of potassium. It also helps to flush out _____ accumulated gallstones from the body.

- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct prepositions from the given list (to, of, in, on, at) : 5

Outstanding leaders go out _____ their way _____ boost the self-esteem _____ their personnel. When people believe _____ themselves, it's amazing _____ see what they can accomplish.

- (c) Write a précis of the following and give a suitable title : 8+2=10

Presentation is of great importance in good writing. Your opening paragraph should arrest the reader's attention and show him what you are writing about and why. If you are going to give the reader some information, tell him what subject you are going to deal with. If you are going to argue in support of a particular point of view, say what this point of view is. There is no harm in startling the reader in this first paragraph by putting forward a new and apparently paradoxical point of view,

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provided you have convincing arguments to support it in the rest of what you write.

The main body of your piece of writing should collect together and present the ideas promised in the first paragraph, or give good arguments to support the view put forward there. You should come to the point at once, say what you promised to say, avoiding irrelevant material, and then finish.

Your last paragraph or sentence should bring what you have written to a neat, satisfying end, leaving the reader with a clear idea of what you have been saying.

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